

MINUTES  
September 24, 2009  
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Jeff Goltz, Chairman  
Philip Jones, Commissioner  
Pat Oshie, Commissioner

The Regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on September 24, 2009, by Chairman Goltz.

E)1. 1-000 Consent Agenda

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to approve the consent agenda and direct the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Commissioner seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0).

UTILITIES:

A)1. 1:55 Docket Number UE-091377; Puget Sound Energy; Reflects changes to Schedule 194, the Residential and Farm Exchange Benefit, to reduce the benefit received from the Bonneville Power Administration's Residential Exchange Program. The result is a \$1.86 or 2.1 percent increase for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Tom Schooley, staff

The commission took no action thereby allowing Puget Sound Energy's Schedule 194 tariff revision to go into effect on October 1, 2009, by operation of law.

A)2. 11:06 Docket Number UG-091044; Northwest Natural Gas Company ; Reflects a new energy efficiency program and revises the low income energy efficiency program. Tariff Revision

Appearances: David Nightingale, staff; Mark Hughey, Green Energy Management, Inc.

The commission took no action, thereby allowing the proposed tariff filing in Docket UG-091044 by Northwest Natural Gas Company for the Energy Efficiency program to become effective October 1, 2009, by operation of law.

A)3. 26:00 Docket Number UG-091372; Puget Sound Energy ; Revises rates to reflect changes in Purchased Gas Costs due to changes in wholesale gas and pipeline transportation costs. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Roland Martin, staff

The commission took no action, allowing the tariff filings in Dockets UG-091372 and UG-091380 to become effective on October 1, 2009, by operation of law.

A)4. 26:00 Docket Number UG-091380; Puget Sound Energy ; Adjusts PSE's deferral amortization rates designed to true-up prior over or under recoveries of revenue to cover purchased gas expenses. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Roland Martin, staff

The commission took no action, allowing the tariff filings in Dockets UG-091372 and UG-091380 to become effective on October 1, 2009, by operation of law.

A)5. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091138; Westgate Communications, LLC dba: WeavTel; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)6. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091139; Beaver Creek Telephone Company ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)7. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091140; St. John, Co-operative Telephone And Telegraph Company Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)8. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091165; Pioneer Telephone Company ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)9. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091189; Mashell Telecom, Inc.

dba: Rainier Connect or The Rainier Group; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)10. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091190; M & L Enterprises ;  
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123.  
ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide,

for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)11. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091191; Hood Canal Telephone Co., Inc.

dba: Hood Canal Communication; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)12. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091192; Asotin Telephone Company dba:

TDS TELECOM; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)13. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091193; Lewis River Telephone Company, Inc. dba: TDS TELECOM; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)14. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091194; McDaniel Telephone Company dba: TDS TELECOM; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)15. 32:35 Docket Number UT-091195; Pend Oreille Telephone Company ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)16. 32:35 Docket Number UT-091210; Tenino Telephone Company  
; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123.  
ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)17. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091211; Kalama Telephone Company  
; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123.  
ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest

Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)18. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091212; Ellensburg Telephone Company  
dba: FairPoint Communication; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual  
Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)19. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091213; YCOM Networks, Inc.  
dba: FairPoint Communication; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual  
Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)20. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091214; Western Wahkiakum County Telephone Company; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)21. 32:35 Docket Number UT-091215; Sprint Nextel Corporation ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)22. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091216; U. S. Cellular Corporation ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)23. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091217; United Telephone Company of the Northwest dba: EMBARQ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)24. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091218; Hat Island Telephone Company ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide,

for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)25. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091219; Whidbey Telephone Company dba: Whidbey Telecom; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)26. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091220; Verizon Northwest Inc. ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)27. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091226; Toledo Telephone Co., Inc., The ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)28. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091227; Inland Telephone Company ;  
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123.  
ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)29. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091245; Qwest Corporation ;  
Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123.  
ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only

for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)30. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091246; Eastern Sub-RSA Limited Partnership, d/b/a Inland Cellular; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)31. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091247; Washington RSA No. 8 Limited Partnership, d/b/a Inland Cellular ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)32. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091248; CenturyTel of Washington, Inc. dba: CenturyTel; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)33. 32:35 Docket Number UT-091250; CenturyTel of Cowiche, Inc. dba: CenturyTel; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)34. 32:25 Docket Number UT-091251; AT&T Mobility, f/k/a Cingular ; Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Annual Certification filing under WAC 480-123. ETC Certification

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)35. 32:35 Docket Number UT-093034; All ETCs; Staff Investigation into various federal Universal Service related issues. Staff Investigation

Appearances: Jing Liu, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that the rural and competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETCs) listed in the appendix to Attachment 2 will use all federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of the facilities and services for which the support is intended. Direct the Executive Secretary to certify to the FCC and USAC that the residential rates in rural areas in Washington served by non-rural incumbent local exchange carriers (Qwest Corporation and Verizon Northwest Inc.) are reasonably comparable to urban rates nationwide, for purposes of Section 254(b)(3) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

A)36. 42:17 Docket Number UW-090819; Aquarius Utilities, LLC ; Commission consideration of whether to make permanent suspended rates. General rate increase proposes to generate \$50,000 (11 percent) in additional annual revenue. The company also proposes to increase its Facilities Charge from \$1,475 to \$2,950. The company serves about 879 customers on various water systems located in Mason, Kitsap and Clallam County. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Chris Mickelson, staff

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Commissioner Jones moved to dismiss the Complaint and Order Suspending the Tariff Revisions, to approve staff recommended revised rates as filed by the company on September 9, 2009, to become effective October 13, 2009, to grant the company's request for an exemption from WAC 480-110-425,

Customer Notice, to allow the company to notify customers of increases in the next billing cycle, and to require the company to maintain the DWSRF records of both revenues and expenses in a manner that will allow the company to provide in their next rate case a detailed breakdown, by account, separate from the normal daily operating costs. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion carried (3:0)

TRANSPORTATION:

B)1. 48:57 Docket Number TG-081576; Freedom 2000, LLC ;  
Application to provide solid waste collection service in the Point Roberts area, located in  
Whatcom County. Certificate

Appearances: Penny, Ingram, Renee Coe, consumer; David Gellanty, Freedom  
2000

Disposition: Commissioner Jones moved to Renotify the application filed by  
Freedom 2000, LLC d/b/a Cando Recycling and Disposal on the Commission's Application  
Docket for 30-days pursuant to WAC 480-70-106 to allow other interested parties opportunity to  
file completed applications, if desired. Commissioner Oshie seconded the motion. The motion  
carried (3:0)

OTHER: No Other items for this agenda.

RECESSED: No Recessed items for this agenda.

The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Attested by \_\_\_\_\_  
David Danner, Executive Director and Secretary